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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/578,617

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For: NEGATIVE ELECTRODE ACTIVE MATERIAL FOR BATTERY,  
ANODE CAN FOR BATTERY, ZINC NEGATIVE PLATE FOR  
BATTERY, MANGANESE DRY BATTERY AND METHOD FOR  
MANUFACTURING SAME

Group Art Unit: 1795

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